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COMFLEACTS OKINAWA

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SUBJECT: LEFTSEIZES ON LAROCHE NUCLEAR TESTIMONY

1. LOCAL OKINAWA PRESS GAVE VERY HEAVY PLAY OCT 7 TO LAROCHE
TESTIMONY THAT U.S. SHIPS VISIT JAPAN WITH NUCLEAR WEAPONS ABOARD.

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PRESS REPORTED THAT PREFECTURAL GOVERNOR YARA AND BOTH REFORMIST
AND CONSERVATIVE POLITICAL PARTIES WERE STRONGLY SHOCKED. YARA
REPORTEDLY COMMENTED THAT THE TESTIMONY, WHEN TIED IN WITH DUMMY
NUCLEAR PRACTICE BOMBING AT IE SHIMA AND THE OTH RADAR SITE AT
AWASE, RAISED SUSPICIONS AS TO WHETHER THE REVERSION OF OKINAWA
HAD TAKEN PLACE IN ACCORD WITH THE GOJ'S THREE NON-NUCLEAR PRINCIPLES.

COMMUNIST CHAIRMAN SENEGA REPEATED ALLEGATION THAT THE U. S. AIR

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FORCE HAS NUCLEAR WEAPONS AT KADENA. PRESS NOTED LAROCHE TESTIMONY

WILL AFFECT PRISIDENT FORD'S PROSPECTIVE VISIT TO JAPAN.

2. FOUR MEMBERS DELEGATION FROM OKINAWA GENSUIKYO CHAPTER AUGMENTED WITH ABOUT 15 PRESS AND TV NEWSMEN AND CAMERAMEN DELIVERED FIRST OF WHAT WE EXPECT WILL BE SEVERAL PROTEST DOCUMENTS TO CONSUL GENERAL. DELIVERY OF PROTEST WAS FILMED BUT REMAINDER OF MEETING WAS KEPT PRIVATE. PROTEST URGED:

- A. PROMPT SUSPENSION OF PORT ENTRY FOR NUCLEAR EQUIPPED VESSELS AS LONG AS THE THREE NON-NUCLEAR PRINCIPLES ARE RETAINED;
- B. PROMPT REMOVAL(SIC) OF ALL NUCLEAR UNITS; AND
- C. ON THE SPOT INVESTIGATION OF SUSPECTED NUCLEAR BASES.

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3. DELEGATION DELIVERED RESTRAINED BUT USUAL COMMUNIST HARANGUE; WE REPLIED WITH STANDARD NON-CONFIRMATION LINE AND MOVED RAPIDLY INTO AN ARGUMENT OVER WHO DOES MOST FOR PEACE.

4. WE EXPECT OKINAWA LEFT WILL TRY TO GAIN AS MUCH ANTI-U.S. MILEAGE AS IT CAN FROM LAROCHE RESTIMONY, PARTICULARLY PUSHING SUSPICIONS THAT "NON-NUCLEAR" REVERSION HAS NOT IN FACT TAKEN PLACE.

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